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***CELEBRATE EARTH DAY WITH THE CITY OF GREENSBORO
Spring Clean-Up, Music, and Interactive Exhibits Scheduled for Citywide Festival***

GREENSBORO, NC (March 27, 2006) – Residents who want to make a difference on Earth Day can participate in a citywide celebration on Saturday, April 1 at two locations. Earth Day festivities will begin with the Great American Cleanup at War Memorial Stadium, 510 Yanceyville Street, from 9 to 11:30am. Sponsored by Greensboro Beautiful, volunteers will collect litter throughout the City, then return to War Memorial Stadium to load the trash into trucks provided by the City's Field Operations Department. Pizza and drinks will be provided to volunteers until 1pm. There will be two shuttle buses leaving War Memorial Stadium at 11:30 am to the Kathleen Clay Edwards Family Branch Library for people who want to continue with the Earth Day celebration. Space on each bus is first-come-first-serve. For more information, on the Great American Cleanup contact the City Beautiful office at 373-2957 or for information on the shuttle buses contact Yvonne Foust at 373-2053.

The City will also hold Earth Day activities at the Kathleen Clay Edwards Family Branch Library at 1420 Price Park Road off Hobbs Road from noon until 5 pm. Citizens are encouraged to bring a "litter-free" picnic lunch by using items such as plastic containers or thermoses instead of foil wrap or soda cans. The litter-free lunch will be held on the library grounds from noon until 1 pm at which time Mayor Keith Holliday will formally kick-off the event. Prizes will be awarded to the first 50 families displaying their litter-free lunches. Other activities include a nature story time for preschoolers from 11:30am to noon and nature crafts, hybrid vehicles, live animals, and other interactive exhibits throughout the day. For additional information, contact Yvonne Foust at 373-2053 or Melanie Buckingham at 373-2923.

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